

CITY OF LONG BEACH  
ELECTIONS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
MINUTES

Vice Mayor Bonnie Lowenthal, Chair  
Gerrie Schipske, Vice Chair  
Val Lerch, Member



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2006  
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 1:00 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

At 1:10 P.M., Chair Bonnie Lowenthal called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

**Councilmembers** B. Lowenthal, Schipske and Lerch  
**Present:**

1. [06-0978](#) Recommendation to receive a presentation from Steven Bennett of Sequoia Voting System.

This agenda item was received and filed.

2. [06-0898](#) Recommendation to receive and file report from the City Clerk relative to voting population totals for jurisdictions conducting vote by mail elections; before and after voter turnout statistics for jurisdictions who have adopted vote-by-mail elections systems; potential cost savings of moving to odd-year elections; election system error margins; and estimated costs for procurement of alternative election systems.

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Schipske, seconded by Member Lerch, that a written report from the City Clerk be transmitted to the full Council along with a recommendation that the Charter Amendment Committee convene to consider potential Charter changes as they relate to changing to an odd number year election and alternative voting systems. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - B. Lowenthal, Schipske and Lerch

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Members of the public are invited to address the Committee

No members of the public addressed the committee.

## ADJOURNMENT

At 2:16 P.M., there being no objection, Chair Bonnie Lowenthal declared the meeting adjourned.